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50 PRIVATE ENTERTAINMENT FOR MAN AND HORSE,
On Main street, next door to Do-Box Downing's
By WILLIAM ALLEN.

FOR SALE,
The tract of LAND on which
I now live, lying about two miles from Lexington, near the Georgetown road, containing
two hundred acres; it is well cleared and timbered, about 50 acres cleared the title indi-
putable. For terms apply to the subscriber
who now resides on the premises.

FRANCIS DILL.

March 24.

For sale,

THE FOLLOWING TRACTS OF LAND.

ONE tract lying in the County of Campbell,
on the waters of Locust creek, containing
2699 acres. One tract, lying on Long Lick
creek, a branch of Rough creek, Hardin county,
about seven miles from Hardin settlements, con-
taining 2500 acres.

The above lands will be disposed of on mod-
erate terms; one half of the purchase money to
be paid down, for the other a credit of twelve
months will be given; the purchaser giving
bond with approved sureties. Any person in-
clined to purchase, may know the terms by
applying to Capt. Holt, Craddock in Danville,
JOHN W. HOLT, atto. in fact
Agent for THIS HOLT.

The managers of the Lexington
Lottery having announced to the
public, that the drawing of the lottery will
certainly commence the 1st of June next. Ad-
vertisers in the Lexington Chances of In-
surance Lottery, will take notice, that agree-
ing to the original plan thereof, the drawing
of the former will determine the fate of the
tickets of the latter.

A few Tickets remain on hand which
may be had on application to the
MANAGERS.

Lexington, May 24, 1797.

WOODFORD COUNTY.
May Court of Quarter Sessions, 1797.
John Jackson complainant,
against
John Briscoe defendant.

IN CHANCERY.

The defendant not having en-
tered his appearance and given security ac-
cording to the rules of this court, and it appearing to the satisfaction of
the court, that he is not an inhabitant of this
state; it is ordered that the said defendant,
do appear here on the first Monday in July next,
and answer the bill of the plaintiff; and that a
copy of this order be forthwith inserted in the
Kentucky Gazette for two months successively,
and published at the door of Clean creek meet-
ing-house, on Sunday next immediately after divine
service, and at the front door of the
court-house, in the town of Versailles.

(A Copy)

T. TURPIN, Clerk.

Three Dollars Reward,
STRAYED from Lexington in April last, a
S bright bay mare, seven years old, about
fourteen hands and a half high, natural trotter,
a small star in her face, and if I am not mis-
taken she has one white foot, had on a large bell,
tied with a lifting of broad cloth, when rode the
blows her breath very hard, but all round, branc-

hed on the near shoulder. Whoever deliv-
ers said mare to the subscriber in Lexington,
or gives such information that I get her, shall
have the above reward.

LAWSON Mc. GULLOUGH.

June 25.

For sale

FOR CASH OR MERCHANDISE,

Two thousand five hundred
acres of LAND, lying on the Twins, about 25
miles from the seat of government, and about
ten from Drennon's lick—land was located
and surveyed in the name of Thomas Turpin,
and adjoining a tract advertised by Mr. T. Tur-
pin, of Woodford county. Any person inclin-
ed to purchase, may know the terms by apply-
ing to Capt. Walker Bayley, near Lexington,
or to the subscriber in Garrard county.

WILLIAM M. BLEDSOE.

June 19.

Notice.

THE Partnership of Thomas Potts, John Lo-
gan, and Baker Evans, now under the
firm of Thomas, Potts & Co. was dissolved
the first day of April last, and the books and papers
thereof placed in the hands of Baker Evans &
John Rose for adjustment. The subscribers
therefore earnestly request such persons as are
intended to form partnership to make immediate
payment on their respective balances, in order
that they may be enabled to discharge the debts
due by said firm.

BRADING & CO. JR.

Frankfort June 8.

94 NEW STORE,

I HAVE just received into my care
in the brick house, lately occupied
by Mr. William Kelly in Bourbon, a
large and general assortment of Dry
Goods, Hard Ware, Groceries and
Queen's Ware; which I am authorized
to sell upon the lowest terms for
Cask, well cleaned Hemp, Wheat,
Rye, Tobacco, raw Hides, Furs, full
proof Whiskey, Salt, Sugar, and good
Flour in barrels; for which said articles
of produce, a generous price will
be given. I have also liquor for Cask.
A few good Horses under seven years
old, will be wanted.

AMOS EDWARDS.

Bourbon, March 1797.

LAST NOTICE.

The partnership of McCoun
& Caileman has been some time dissolved, by
mutual consent, which was made known by a
former advertisement. All persons indebted to
them, are earnestly requested to make payment
of their respective accounts to James McCoun,
before the 10th of April next. Those who do
not avail themselves of this notice, may depend
on having their accounts paid into the hands of
proper officers for collection, and further indul-
gence can be given.

JAMES MCCOUN,
JOHN CASTLEMAN.

March 22.

All persons for whom I located
land, are desired to come forward and pay
of their respective balances, in order for a divi-
sion, otherwise I shall petition the different
courts for a division.—All persons who have
any demands against me for land, are desired to
come forward, as I am ready to discharge
the same.

I have for sale twelve thousand acres of land,
on Little Kentucky, and Floyd's Fork, be-
tween eighteen and thirty miles from the Falls
of Ohio, of a good quality, and lies level, which
I will sell on reasonable terms for cash or ne-
groes, and make a general warranty de-
cree.

E. NETHERLAND.

March 16, 1797.

MARION COUNTY, 1st.

March court, 1797.

John Bradburn Complaint
Against
Willingby Telsb, heir at law to John Telsb, and
Thomas Garvis, defendants.

IN CHANCERY.

The defendant Telsb, having entered
his appearance agreeably to an act of
assembly and rules of this court, and it appear-
ing to the satisfaction of the court that the
defendant is no inhabitant of this common-
wealth, the motion of the complainant by
his attorney, to have the defendant
served here on the first day of next instant, to
answer the complaint's bill, and that a copy
of this order be advertised in one of the Ken-
tucky Gazette for two months successively;—
another posted at the court house door, of this
county, and that this order be published at the
door of the Baptist meeting house in Wash-
ington, same Sunday immediately after divine ser-
vice, or the complainants bill will be taken
for confessed;—it appears to the court that
the former order made herein, was not ex-
ecuted.

(A Copy) Teste

J. MARSHALL jun. C. M. C.

9 For Sale,
SIX HUNDRED ACRES OF LAND,
OF SOIL ONLY TO ANY IN THE WESTERN COUNTRY.

LYING in Clark county, on the waters of
Stoner, near Bramble's lick, and contain-
ing two farms, consisting of about fifty-six acres
cleared—with springs, gardens, orchards,
meadows, necessary and convenient houses and a
most excellent mill seat. The terms may be
made known by applying to the subscriber, liv-
ing on the premises, or to Mr. Galbreath
in Lexington.—immediate possession will be
given.

DAVID GIST,
PATTERSON BULLOCK.

June 2, 1797.

9 Hughes and Fitzhugh,
HAVE for sale, at their Factory, near Har-
persburg, Washington county, Maryland,
A LARGE and GENERAL ASSORTMENT OF
NAIL'S,

which they will dispose of on reasonable terms.
March 20, 1797.

ALL persons indebted to the officers of
Harrison, doo, are requested to make
immediate payment, and those who have any
demands against said defendant, are desired to
bring them in properly authenticated, and the pro-
prietor may be made for the discharge thereof.

JAMES HAWTHORN, Exors.

THOMAS HAWTHORN, J. Law

Lexington, June 13, 1797.

93 GEORGE ADAMS,

R EPECTFULLY inform his
friends and the public in ge-
neral, that he has opened a Tavern, in
that commodious house on Main street
the third door below Cross street; where those who please to favor him
with their custom, shall meet with ev-
ery possible attention.

FOR SALE,
THE FOLLOWING TRACTS OF
LAND

45 IN THIS STATE—
45000 acres on the waters of
Rough creek, which empties into
Green river.

4000 acres on Cumberland road,

1000 acres in the big bend of Green
river, ten miles above Barnett's flats.

1600 acres near Sevren's valley, on
the waters of Salt river.

3000 acres in Shelby county, join-
ing Leatherman's settlement.

400 acres on main Elkhorn, six miles
from Frankfort, 45 acres cleared.

Also,

200 acres of an Illinois grant, oppo-
site the Falls of Ohio.

And a large body of Land in the
big bend of Tennessee river.

This will inform those who incline
to purchase, that I have lately returned
from exploring most of the above
mentioned lands, particularly that on
Tennessee—and find it to be a body
of soil, timber, water and range, super-
ior to any I have ever seen. The
above mentioned tract on Elkhorn,
will be either sold or rented.—For
terms apply to the subscriber in Lex-
ington.

BENJ. S. COX.

Feb. 2.

9 FOR SALE,

I have noted tract of LAND,
Engle's station, containing four hundred acres,
three miles from the Crab orchard, supposed to
be equal, if not superior to any in the district,
for a public house; as the land is of good quality,
a great part of it would make excellent
meadows; the range is good both winter and
summer, and from its situation, no doubt will
be pastured, and watered with springs; a
good seat for a distillery, and Diesel river runs
through the tract 4 miles and 90 rods now
in order for croppings. An indispensible title
will be made to the purchaser. For terms apply
to the Printer hereof, or to the subscriber
at Madison court house.

Spencer Griffin.

April 21.

Three Dollars Reward.

Strayed from the plantation
of Mr. Francis Downing, on Hickman, four
miles from Lexington, on the 23d instant, a dark
bay horse, eight or nine years old, nearly fifteen
hands high, a blaze and spot, two feet white.
Whoever will deliver the said horse to Mr. Fran-
cis Downing, or to the subscriber, shall have the
above reward.

George Heytel.

Lexington, April 28.

WANTED IMMEDIATELY,

2 or three Apprentices
to the Carpenter's and Shop Joiner's
Business. Also two or three

Good Journeymen,

for House work, to whom generous
wages will be given.

JOHN SPANGLER.

Lexington, April 15.

Notice,

THAT the subscriber wishes to ef-
fablish a town on a tract of land
called Bullittsburg, in Campbell coun-
ty, on the Ohio river, directly oppo-
site to Judge Symm's settlement, at
the North Bend; and that we will
make application to the court of the
said county, at their next October
court for the purposes aforesaid.

CAVE JOHNSON.

June 24, 1797.

FOR SALE,
SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND ACRES OF
VALUABLE LAND,

SITUATED in the counties
of Franklin, Clarke, Bourbon, Ma-
son, Madison, Lincoln, Hardin and
Greene. The taxes shall be paid, and
other incumbrances discharged at the
time, and in the manner prescribed by
law.

The subscriber, who will hereafter
reside in this town, is authorized to
dispose of the above mentioned pro-
perty by a power of attorney, recorded
in the office of the court of ap-
peals. As he means to practice law in
the adjacent courts, persons desirous
to purchase the different tracts, will
have an opportunity of contracting
with him at any of those places.

Charles W. Bird.

PROPOSALS
For Publishing by subscription,
A NEAT EDITION OF THE
KENTUCKY LAWS.

IT is proposed, that this edition shall contain
only the Laws that are of a general nature,
and will consist of the laws lately revised,
and to be revised; there will be no more given
of local or private laws, than their titles and time
of passage. From the best calculations, it will
extend to about six hundred pages.

CONDITIONS.

1. This work will be printed in two Numbers,
large Octavo, with a neat letter, on good pa-
per, and bound in boards. The first Number
will consist of the laws of a General Na-
ture already revised.
2. The price to Subscribers will be Three
Dollars; one half to be paid at the time of
subscribing, and the balance on the delivery
of the Second Number.
3. The work will be put up as soon as
five hundred copies are subscribed for, and
the first Number completed, with all the
changes and alterations; the second will be delayed
till the first is finished.
4. If the laws do not exceed five hundred
pages, there will be added an appendix, con-
taining an Abstract of the Duties of a Justice
of the Peace, taken from the most Appre-
hended Authors, with the different forms of pro-
cess in that office; as well as the most use-
ful forms of conveyancing, &c. There will
also be added, a copious index, whereby any
article may be easily found by inspection
and the Constitution of this State and the
United States will be prefaced.
5. Those who subscribe for twelve copies
shall have one extra.

As the form in which the Acts of Assembly
have been printed, renders them not only un-
handy to carry about, but also more liable to in-
jury and therefore left out; and as it is
probable that the general laws will hereafter
remain a considerable length of time with
little or no alteration; it is the object of this work
to remedy those evils, by furnishing them in a
portable form, and of durable material.

JOHN BRADFORD.

At a Court of Quarter Sessions, held
for the county of Fayette, March
18th 1797.

Alexander Cleveland, Complainant,
Against
James Patton, Defendant.

IN CHANCERY:

THE said Defendant not having entered his
appearance agreeably to law, and the rules of
this court; and it appearing that he is not an
inhabitant of this state, and that the motion of the
complainant, by his counsel, is supported that
the said Defendant do appear here on the 23d instant,
Monday in August next, to answer the com-
plainant's bill—that a copy of this order be in-
serted in the Kentucky Gazette for two months
successively, and published at the door of the
Presbyterian meeting-house in the town of Lex-
ington, on some Sunday immediately after divine
service, and a copy set up at the door of the court
house of this county.

(A Copy) Teste

LEVI TODD.

STRAYED from Lexington, about
the 20th of April last, a small dark
cow, four years old this spring,
a piece taken off the under side of
each ear, so as to make them in the
shape of a Fox's ears. Whoever
will deliver said cow to the subscriber
at the office of the Kentucky Gazette,
or give such information that he may
gather, shall have a reward of Two
Dollars.

B. J. Bradford,
Lexington, May 25.

Congress of the United States.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

June 3.

Mr. Venable, on the part of the committee appointed, reported, that the president would receive the address of the house this day at 12 o'clock at his own house.

A report was received from the commissioners of the federal city. Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Lyon made a motion to do away the ridiculous custom of waiting on the president in a body with the address. He was unsuccessful.

At twelve o'clock the speaker and house went to the president's with the following address.

To the president of the United States.

Sir

The interesting detail of those events, which have rendered the convention of congress at this time indefinable, (communicated in your speech to both houses) has excited in us the strongest emotions. Whilst we regret the occasion, we cannot omit to testify our approbation of the measure, and to pledge ourselves that no considerations of private inconvenience, shall prevent on our part, a faithful discharge of the duties to which we are called,

We have constantly hoped, that the nations of Europe, whilst desolated by foreign wars, or convulsed by intestine divisions, would have left the United States to enjoy that peace and tranquility, to which the impartial conduct of our government has entitled us; and it is now with extreme regret we find the measures of the French republic tending to endanger a situation so desirable and interesting to our country.

Upon this occasion we feel it our duty to express, in the most explicit manner, the sensations which the present crisis has excited, and to assure you of our zealous cooperation in those measures which may appear necessary for our security or peace.

Although it is the earnest wish of our hearts, that peace may be maintained with the French republic, and with all the world, yet we never will surrender those rights which belong to us as a nation; and whilst we view with satisfaction the wisdom, dignity and moderation, which have marked the measures of the supreme executive of our country, in its attempt to remove by candid explanations, the complaints and jealousies of France, we feel the full force of that indignity which has been offered our country in the rejection of its minister. No attempts to wound our rights as a foreign state will escape the notice of our constituents; they will be felt with indignation, and repelled with that decision which shall convince the world that we are not a degraded people, that we can never submit to the demands of a foreign power, without examination and without discussion.

Knowing as we do the confidence reposed by the people of the United States in their government, we cannot hesitate in expressing our indignation at any sentiments tending to derogate from that confidence; such sentiments wherever entertained, serve to evince an imperfect knowledge of the opinions of our constituents.

Sensibly as we feel the wound which has been inflicted by the transactions disclosed in your communication, yet we think with you, that neither the honor nor the interest of the United States forbids the repetition of advances for preserving peace.

We therefore receive with the most satisfaction your information that a fresh attempt at negotiation will be instituted and we cherish the hope that a mutual spirit of conciliation & a disposition on the part of France to compensate for any injury which may have been committed on our neutral rights, & on the part of the United States to place France on grounds similar to those of other countries, in their relations and connection with us, if any inequalities shall be found to exist, will produce an accommodation compatible with the engagements, rights interests and honour of the United States.

Fully however, impressed with the uncertainty of the result, we shall prepare to meet with fortitude any unfavorable events which may occur, and to extricate ourselves from their

consequences with all the skill we possess, and with all the efforts in our power. Believing with you that the conduct of the general government has been just and impartial to foreign nations, that the laws for the preservation of peace have been proper, and that they have been fairly executed, the representatives of the people do not hesitate to declare, that they will give their most cordial support to the execution of principles so deliberately and uprightly established.

The many interesting subjects which you have recommended to our consideration, and which are so strongly enforced by this momentous occasion, will receive every attention which their importance demands; and we trust that by the decided and explicit conduct which will govern our deliberations, every infirmity will be repelled which is derogatory to the honour and independence of our country.

Permit me in offering this address, to express our satisfaction at your promotion to the first office in the government, and our entire confidence that the pre-eminent talents and patriotism which have placed you in this distinguished situation, will enable you to discharge its various duties with fidelity to yourself and advantage to our common country.

His answer was as follows:

Mr. speaker and gentlemen
of the house of representatives,

I receive with great satisfaction your candid approbation of the convention of Congress, and thank you for your assurances, that the interesting subjects recommended to your consideration shall receive the attention which their importance demands, and that your co-operation may be expected in those measures which may appear necessary for our security and peace.

The declaration of the representatives of this nation, of their satisfaction in my promotion to the first office in the government, and of their confidence in my sincere endeavors to discharge the various duties of it, with advantage to our common country, have excited my most grateful sensibility.

I pray you, gentlemen, to believe, and to communicate such assurance to our constituents, that no event, which I can foresee to be attainable by any exertions in the discharge of my duties, can afford me to my cordial satisfaction, as to conduct a negotiation with the French republic to a removal of prejudices, a correction of errors, a dispunction of umbrages, an accommodation of all differences, and a reparation of harmony and affection to the mutual satisfaction of both nations. And whenever the legitimate organs of intercourse shall be restored, and the real sentiments of the two governments can be candidly communicated to each other, although strongly impeded with the necessity of collecting ourselves into a manly posture of defense, I nevertheless entertain an encouraging confidence, that a mutual spirit of conciliation, a disposition to compensate injuries, and accommodate each other in all our relations and connections, will produce an agreement to a treaty, consistent with the engagements, rights, duties, and honor of both nations.

JOHN ADAMS.

United States, June 3d, 1797.

NOTICE.

ALL persons are cautioned against contracting for a bond given by Benjamin Harrison, Esq; of Kentucky, and late of Kentucky, to the subscribers dated June 1795, for three hundred acres of land in his country, to him, Kirk, and Boyd, and assigned to Thomas Gregg, the 24th of August 1796, as evident fraud has been committed, respecting the same. I also hereby notify said Benjamin Harrison, not to make a trial to fail hard to fail Gregg, nor any other person whatsoever, until I receive sufficient satisfaction thereto.

DANIEL RICHARDSON.

Strayed or Stolen,

FROM the subscriber, living in Scott county, near Georgetown, a black Horse, about fourteen hands high, eight years old, and had on a shaft knocking three million boll, a saddle, a short tail, barreled on the near side, a large C on the jaw and buttock, also on the shoulder, W, any person delivering said horse at Rector's tavern, in Georgetown, or to the subscriber living at James' Wither's shall receive two dollars, with reasonable charges.

Benjamin Scanland.

LEXINGTON:

Saturday, July 1, 1797.

Judge Coburn's Charge delivered to the Grand Jury of Major District—June Term 1797.

GENTLEMEN OF THE GRAND JURY;

It is part of my duty on this occasion, to call your attention to those services required of you by the laws of our country. Custom, appears to justify a departure from the strict, legal discharge of my duty, and permits me to embrace subjects in your reflection not immediately connected with your present duties. I avail myself of the opportunity it affords me of presenting to your view a subject worthy the attention of every friend to his country.

The administration of justice is justly considered as one of the most important objects contemplated in the formation of government. Sensible of its magnitude, we must behold with pleasure the efforts of this our infant institution, to diffuse its benefits, by rendering the access to justice easy to its citizens. By the late arrangements in our judiciary, we have reason to flatter ourselves, that some of the obstacles which have hitherto retarded the administration of justice, will be removed. It rests now with the citizens, to carry into effect the salutary plan marked out by the legislature.

They have no longer to travel in pursuit of justice, from the extremes of our state, but an opportunity of obtaining it is convenient to all. The very great portion of political happiness enjoyed by this our infant country, must excite in the breast of every good citizen, the most grateful sensations, and ought to stimulate him to lend his aid in placing its future happiness on a firm and lasting foundation. Amidst the variety of important objects to which the exertions of our citizens are required, from none can be derived greater advantages to our country, than from the speedy determination of those baneful disputes in which we are involved by our clashing landed claims.

The evils resulting from this source are two numerous and too evident to require detail. Our feelings and our interest unite to convince us of the necessity of relieving ourselves from the painful and injurious situation, in which we are placed. It is to be lamented, that the leading cause of this great alloy to our happiness, are so deeply rooted, as to preclude a hope, that some legislative act could remove them. The radical defects interwoven in the system of laws, on which our claims are founded, must be considered as the great source of this evil. The history of the settlement of this country exhibits a succession of laws filled with the seeds of litigation. Without attending to the source, and for want of a due attention to the real cause of this evil—our fellow citizens have attached to their courts of justice an odium which—perhaps they have not merited. United with the defects in the land laws of Virginia, and the complicated and clashing modes of obtaining property under them, our courts of justice have to contend with the delays of the artful, and the negligence of the indolent. They have to give birth to new ideas on legal subjects, and to open new avenues to justice, and this without the assistance of the experience of their predecessors. For so infinitely various are the local circumstances attending the operation of our land laws, and so peculiar to our country that refinement itself, with difficulty can extract a gleam of light from the mass of British jurisprudence. And unfortunately for us, the more extensive our researches after truth, the more are we in danger of losing sight of our real object, and instead of an important truth adapted to our country, we may establish a land mark which eventually will be productive of numerous errors. In addition to those difficulties, with which our courts have to contend, it has so happened that few leading principles are as yet established. We are still on a sea of uncertainty, and skillful must he be, who places on the fest of judgment, even with the kindly aid of every virtuous citizen, can avoid the censure of his country. It becomes our fellow citizens therefore to view with candor and forbearance, the efforts of their courts of justice, in the arduous

and important task assigned them. And although the difficulties are great, it is in the power of our citizens to lessen their influence, by promoting a spirit of accommodation. The temper of the day is too much opposed to accommodation of disputes and claimants too passionately enliven themselves with the shackles of the law. Suitors would do well to reflect, that if nothing short of an appeal to the tribunals of justice can satisfy them, that more depends on themselves in producing speedy decisions, than on the courts. It cannot be expected that our disputes can be terminated while the parties retard decisions by every means in their power, and volume on volume is filled with the list of litigants. Happy would it be if the spirit of accommodation would take place, and our fellow citizens would sacrifice their resentments to their real interest. It would give peace and dignity to our country, content and prosperity to themselves. It is improper and impolitic to deter the private adjustment of claims under an expectation that leading principles will be established and serve as guides to accommodation. It may perhaps be discovered that although leading principles are established, that the facts attending each claim are so various, that most cases will be supposed to stand on grounds peculiar to themselves; and that the features of our claims, like our own, although resembling in general, have each their distinguishing trait.

Impressed with the importance of a speedy administration of justice I am on this occasion induced to offer a few reflections on the necessity of preserving its course pure, and inviolate. It is a melancholy event, when courts of justice become the organs of party, & degenerate to be the echo of a prevailing administration of government. When the public mind becomes strongly interested in a subject under legal discussion, and the voice of clamor rouses the passions of the citizens, then it becomes us to act with caution, lest we do our country an essential injury.

The greatest political evil that can affect society is a dependent or impure administration of justice. That dependence may originate from many causes, but none more dangerous than placing the judiciary at the mercy of popular clamor. It is with great wisdom that our constitution has distinguished the duties of the several departments of government; and in terms intelligible to every disinterested man, marked the sacred boundary between the legislative and judicial authorities. Powerful as the immediate representation of a free people ought ever to be; it is still subject to its defects. It can be influenced by passion, by design or prejudice. Dangerous must then be that conduct, which leads the popular voice, impetuously to interrupt the current of justice, by obstructing a principle founded in hate, without deliberation, and which in its nature must be retrospective. How painful must be the situation of judges, and how uncharitable the administration of justice, if it must depend upon every prevailing opinion of the day. At one time we shall see the public mind influenced by that class of citizens who early adventured into the wilds of America, and unacquainted with or regardless of legal subtleties, sought for, and with difficulty obtained an establishment in this our favored spot.

At another period we shall see the influence of those citizens prevail, who ingested at a much later day, and who perhaps were furnished with a more extensive knowledge of the laws, and more accustomed to a strict interpretation of them. Thus, alternately we are to be subjected to a construction of law well calculated to promote the interest of the prevailing party, and the substantial merits of a claim must yield to the current of the day. Amidst this conflict of contending principles, how essential to justice must it be, that our courts should enjoy the free and full exercise of rational interpretation of law, exempt from those imposing shackles to which the partial and fleeting opinion of the day would subject them. Every friend to impartial justice, must tremble for its fate, when he behold the popular voice dictate a construction of an existing law, under which millions of property are held.

Independent of the influence it produces on the decisions of courts, it in-

duces to hold less sacred the judicial acts of their country, & destroys that dignity which ought ever to be attached to the tribunals of justice, of a free people. Happy will it be, if popular influence should in no instance give an improper bias to judicial acts, and that our courts chaste as Caesar's wife, should be so fortunate as to discover that line of construction, which not only avoids the misconceptions of one class, but happily combines the spirit of the law with a just and proper attention to the letter.

It is an event for which every good citizen must sincerely wish, to see our courts of justice, far removed from the influence of party, regardless of popular clamor, and while unawed by the resentment even of a legislature, devoted to a chaste administration of justice.

On this occasion, Gentlemen of the Grand Jury, it is your duty to enquire of, and present all treasons, murders, felonies and other crimes and misdemeanors, committed within this district.—I wo leading restrictions to your power, are made by the laws. First, you are not to make any presentment where the penalty imposed by law, is less than five pounds.—Nor are you to present any offence the punishment annexed to which, does not affect either life or limb, unless that offence has been committed within one year.—You will observe, that this last restriction does not extend to the higher degrees of crimes, the punishment annexed to which, affects either life or limb.—It is my duty to give you in express charge, two laws—I the first is entitled, "An Act, to suppress excessive gaming.—The second is, "An Act, to regulate taverns, and restrain tippling houses.—The objects of those two laws, are too important to the welfare of society, to be neglected. And as guardians of the peace and dignity of our country, it is your duty, faithfully to watch over, and rigidly to prevent every violation of which you are properly informed.

Extract of a letter from a member of Congress, to his friend in this state, dated Philadelphia, June 9, 1797.

"I much lament the prevailing party spirit now existing on the floor of Congress. British faction, and French faction is introduced on every subject of debate, and almost in every speech reiterated with much warmth on both sides—personal invective carried to most extraordinary length. The propositions introduced by W. Smith, (of S. C.) are warmly opposed by what he calls the French faction. If carried, will no doubt be supported by a decided majority of the senate; indeed that branch of the legislature has already passed bills on (and sent down for consideration) some of the most offensive of those very propositions, and if carried through the house of representatives, I cannot but fear an insurrection between the two republics will be the consequence.—The strength of the parties for and against moderate measures during the present session will be tried in two or three days; and the length of the session will much depend on that decision."

The following Resolutions were introduced in the House of Representatives of the United States (with the galleries cleared), in committee of the whole, on the 3d of June, by Mr. W. Smith, of South Carolina, but before the committee adjourned it determined that they did not require secession.

11. Resolved, as the opinion of this committee, That further provision ought to be made for fortifying the ports and harbors of the United States.

2. Resolved, That provision be made by law for completing and manning the frigates United States, Constitution, and Constellation.

3d. Resolved, That provision be made by law for procuring by purchase, a further naval force, to consist of three frigates of 50 guns, and six sloops of war of 18 guns.

4. Resolved, That provision be made by law for employing the naval force of the United States as convoys to protect the trade thereof.

5. Resolved, &c. For regulating the arming of the merchant vessels of the United States.

6. Resolved, that the military establishment ought to be augmented by an addition of one regiment, a corps of artillery and engineers, and companies of dragoons.

7. Resolved, &c. for empowering the president to raise a provisional army to consist of regiments of infantry, one regiment of artillery and one regiment of dragoons, by commissioning the officers and by volunteers or enlisting, whenever the country shall in his opinion, render the said army necessary for the protection and defence of the United States: Provided, that neither the officers or soldiers shall receive any pay or emolument, until called into actual service.

8. Resolved, &c. to authorize the president to borrow on credit of the United States, a sum not exceeding dollars, to defray the expense which may arise in providing for the defence and security of the United States.

9. Resolved, &c. to raise a revenue adequate to the reimbursement, within years, of such sum as may be borrowed as aforesaid.

10. Resolved, &c. to provide for a limited time against the exportation of arms, ammunition, and military and naval stores.

LEXINGTON LODGE LOTTERY,
AND
CHANCES OF INSURANCE.

TENTH DAY'S DRAWING.

Wednesday, June 28.

PRIZES.
Of 500 dollars, No. 52.
Of 42 dollars, No. 174, 1125, 1298, 1961.
Of 15 dollars, No. 1224, 2231.
Of 10 dollars, No. 563, 597, 938, 1184, 2795, 2984.
Of 6 dollars, No. 526, 780, 1248, 1848.
2515, 2629, 2769, 2783.

BLANKS.

No. 62, 583, 669, 698, 741, 965, 1234,

1633, 1872, 1893, 1292, 1314, 1359, 1402,

1412, 1535, 1536, 1723, 1896, 1913, 1932,

2164, 2381.

ELEVENTH DAY'S DRAWING.
Thursday, June 29.

PRIZES,
Of 25 dollars, No. 1926.
Of 22 dollars, No. 563, 1106, 1387.
Of 15 dollars, No. 377, 426, 637, 2192,
2433, 2662.
Of 10 dollars, 1779, 2097, 2522, 2792.
Of 6 dollars, 297, 316, 373, 441, 983, 999,
1222, 1284, 1670, 1916, 2371, 2174, 2645,
2515, 2737, 2769, 2802.

BLANKS.

No. 82, 239, 272, 281, 317, 352, 435, 452,

517, 645, 787, 891, 1126, 162, 1994, 1322,

1429, 1496, 1534, 1623, 1923, 1951, 1953,

2134, 2224, 2323, 2454, 2518, 2547, 2595,

2599, 2677, 2717, 2748, 2792, 2976.

NOTICE.

THAT on the fifth Monday in October, I shall petition the county court of Bracken, to establish the town of Angulta, on the Ohio, below the mouth of Bracken creek, agreeable to an act of Assembly.

PHILIP BUCKNER.

June 10, 1797. 2am.

NOTICE,

THAT commissioners appointed by the court of Shelby county, will meet at my house on Long run, on the 11th day of August next, in order to take the deposition of sundy witnesses and perpetuate their testimony respecting the calls in an entry on a treasury warrant for 500 acres of land made in my name, and on which I now live, and do such other act as shall be deemed necessary and agreeable to law.

BENJAMIN HUGHES.

June 22, 1797.

Taken up by the subscriber on Decr. 22d, 1797, a black Mare, seven years old, shod at the hoof, and appraised to £18. Also a foal, and a Colt, two years old, fat and feed well, branded on the shoulder and buttock as above, appraised to £15.

JOHN MILLER.

May 18.

NOTICE,

Taken up by the subscriber on

Paint lick, Madison county, an iron gray Mare, five years old, four

feet high, a small flat in her forehead, a

small wart on her ear near the head, four

middle spots, branded W on the near shoulder, appraised to £1.

Wm. M'MARSH.

NOTICE,

TAKEN up by the subscriber, Payne

ette county, near the mouth of

Jellamine, a dark bay Mare, about 8

or 9 years old, 4 feet 7 inches high,

branded on the off buttock something

like G, a few white hairs in her fore-

head—appraised to £1.

John Carson.

January 10, 1798.

Excellent Vinegar for sale
At my still house in Lexington, by the
large or small quantity.
SAUGRAIN.
June 16, 1797.

FAVETTE COUNTY,
May Court of Quarter Sessions, 1797.

John Smith, complainant,

AGAINST

Peter Johnson, James Brodton and Agnes Bro-

ing, defendants.

IN CHANCERY.

The defendants in this cause

not having entered their appearance agreeable

to law, and the rules of this court, and it appear-

ing that they are not inhabitants of the

commonwealth; on the motion of the com-

plainant by his counsel, it is ordered that they

appear here on the second Monday in August

next, to answer the complainant's bill—that a

copy of this order be forthwith inserted in the

Kentucky Gazette for two months success-

ively, and docketed in the office of the

register of this court, and in the office of the

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